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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

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The Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council

AGENCY: National Protection and Programs Directorate, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of renewal of Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council charter and quarterly membership update.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced the establishment of the Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council (CIPAC) in a Federal Register Notice (71 FR 14930-14933) dated March 24, 2006, which identified the purpose of CIPAC, as well as its membership. This notice provides: (i) Notice of the renewal of the CIPAC charter; (ii) quarterly CIPAC membership updates; (iii) instructions on how the public can obtain the CIPAC membership roster and other information on the council; and (iv) information on recently completed CIPAC meetings.

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Responsible DHS Official: Larry May, Designated Federal Officer for the CIPAC.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose and Activity: The CIPAC facilitates interaction between government officials and representatives of the community of owners and/or operators for each of the critical infrastructure sectors defined by Presidential Policy Directive 21 and identified in *National Infrastructure Protection Plan 2013: Partnering for Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience*. The scope of activities covered by the CIPAC includes: Planning; coordinating among government and critical infrastructure owner and operator security partners; implementing security program initiatives; conducting operational activities related to critical infrastructure protection security measures, incident response, recovery, and infrastructure resilience; reconstituting critical infrastructure assets and systems for both manmade and naturally occurring events; and sharing threat, vulnerability, risk mitigation, and infrastructure continuity information.

Organizational Structure: The National Infrastructure Protection Plan organizes the critical infrastructure community into 16 critical infrastructure sectors. Each of these sectors has a Government Coordinating Council (GCC) whose membership includes: (i) A lead Federal agency that is defined as the Sector-Specific Agency; (ii) all relevant Federal, State, local, tribal, and/or territorial government agencies (or their representative bodies) whose mission interests also involve the scope of the CIPAC activities for that particular sector; and (iii) a Sector Coordinating Council (SCC) whose membership includes critical infrastructure owners and/or operators or their representative trade associations.

CIPAC Membership: CIPAC Membership may include:

- (i) Critical Infrastructure (CI) owner and operator members of a DHS-recognized SCC, including their representative trade associations or equivalent organization members of an SCC as determined by the SCC.
- (ii) Federal, State, local, and tribal governmental entities comprising the members of the GCC for each sector, including their representative organizations, members of the State, Local, Tribal and Territorial Government Coordinating

Council, and representatives of other federal agencies with responsibility for CI activities. CIPAC membership is organizational. Multiple individuals may participate in CIPAC activities on behalf of a member organization as long as member representatives are not federally registered lobbyists.

Notice of CIPAC Renewal: The Secretary of Homeland Security extended the CIPAC charter on March 18, 2014, for a period of two years. The current CIPAC charter reflecting the Secretary's action is available on the CIPAC Web site (<http://www.dhs.gov/cipac>).

CIPAC Membership Roster and Council Information:

The current roster of CIPAC members is published on the CIPAC Website (<http://www.dhs.gov/cipac>) and is updated as the CIPAC membership changes. Members of the public may visit the CIPAC Website at any time to view current CIPAC membership, as well as the current and historic lists of CIPAC meetings and agendas.

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